

ORDINANCE NO. 89- 31

1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
2 COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY,  
3 FLORIDA, AMENDING THE STANDARD BUILDING,  
4 GAS, MECHANICAL AND PLUMBING CODES, 1988  
5 EDITION; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION  
6 OF THE TECHNICAL CODES; PROVIDING FOR A  
7 BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS;  
8 PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT;  
9 PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING  
10 FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

11 WHEREAS, Chapter 125 of the Florida Statutes empower  
12 counties to provide for the health, safety and general  
13 welfare including the enactment and enforcement of  
14 construction and related technical standards and regulations;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 74-565, Laws of Florida, as  
17 amended, Palm Beach County has adopted by Ordinance the  
18 Standard Building, Gas, Mechanical and Plumbing Codes, 1988  
19 Edition; and

20 WHEREAS, Chapter 74-565, Laws of Florida, as amended,  
21 authorizes Palm Beach County to adopt by ordinance  
22 amendments to modify and improve its construction codes to  
23 meet local conditions, provided that said amendments do not  
24 lower the standards of the minimum code adopted; and

25 WHEREAS, the Standard Codes as specified in F.S. 553.73  
26 authorizes the Construction Board of Adjustments and  
27 Appeals; and

28 WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 74-565, and F.S. 553.73(a),  
29 the Building Code Advisory Board of Palm Beach County has  
30 reviewed local conditions and based on this review has  
31 recommended the adoption of these amendments; and

32 WHEREAS, the adoption of these amendments will be in the  
33 public interest by strengthening the Standard Codes, 1988  
34 Edition, for the health safety and general welfare of  
35 citizens in the unincorporated area of Palm Beach County;  
and

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1       **WHEREAS,**     the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach  
2 County, sitting as the Local Planning Agency, has determined  
3 that the proposed amendments to the Standard Codes, are  
4 consistent with the adopted Comprehensive Plan of Palm Beach  
5 County, as required by Section 163.3194(2), Florida Statutes.

6       **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY**  
7 **COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:**

8       **SECTION 1 - AUTHORITY**

9       This Ordinance is promulgated pursuant to Chapter 74-565,  
10 Laws of Florida, as amended

11       **SECTION 2 - AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

12       The amendments to the Standard Building, Gas, Mechanical  
13 and Plumbing Codes, 1988 Edition, hereto attached, including  
14 Appendix B, C, I, P and R of the Standard Building Code and  
15 Appendix 2 and 3 of the Amendments to the Standard Building  
16 Code are hereby adopted and incorporated herein, as part of  
17 the minimum construction standards for the unincorporated  
18 areas of Palm Beach County and for those municipalities  
19 within Palm Beach County for which the Palm Beach County  
20 Planning, Zoning & Building Department provides construction  
21 plan review and inspection services pursuant to interlocal  
22 agreements.

23       **SECTION 3 - REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT**

24       Ordinance 86-31, amendments to the Standard Codes, 1985  
25 Edition, and Article 80 of Ordinance 88-19, amendments to the  
26 National Electrical Code, 1987 Edition are hereby repealed,  
27 and all other local laws and ordinances of Palm Beach  
28 County, Florida, or parts thereof, which pertain to the  
29 unincorporated area of Palm Beach County, Florida, which  
30 conflict with this or any part of this ordinance are hereby  
31 repealed pursuant to Article 8, Section 6d, Florida  
32 Constitution.



SECTION 4 - CAPTIONS

The captions, section headings, and section designations used in this Code are intended for convenience of users only and shall have no effect on the interpretation of the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5 - SEVERABILITY

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, inoperative, or void, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 6 - EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective January 1, 1990, after receipt of acknowledgment by the Secretary of State.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, on this 21st day of November, 1989

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS:

By: Carol E. [Signature]  
Chairperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: [Signature]  
County Attorney

JOHN B. DUNKLE, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners  
By: [Signature]  
DEPUTY CLERK

Acknowledged by the Department of State of the State of Florida, on this, the 30th day of November, 1989.

Acknowledgment received from the Department of State of the State of Florida, this 5th day of December, 1989 at 8:59AM., and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF PALM BEACH  
I, JOHN B. DUNKLE, Clerk of the  
Board of County Commissioners, certify this to  
be a true and correct copy of the original filed in  
my office on 11/21/89  
DATED at West Palm Beach, FL on 12/8/89  
JOHN B. DUNKLE, Clerk  
By: [Signature] D.C.



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5 BUILDING CODES ENFORCEMENT

6 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, 1988 Edition

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PREFACE

The purpose of this Administrative Code is to protect the public's life, health and welfare in the built environment. This protection is provided through the proper enforcement of the Building, Electric, Gas, Mechanical, Plumbing, Pool and Manufactured Homes/Buildings Codes, as adopted by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.

The Administrative Code is incorporated, by reference, in the technical Codes mentioned above. This Code is intended to provide for the administrative aspects for each of these Codes. The Board of County Commissioners has considered items such as local environmental factors, construction practices and cost effectiveness.

Note:

Code is on  
file in the Minutes  
Dept. - Room  
205 - Gov't Center